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doing or else he's going to wind up at the bottom of the heap. And, I'd surely want a Republican auditor putting his nose into 50 different directions. Because it's necessary, this is how you win campaigns and this is the very thing you legislators have to think about today when you vote on this. I'm sorry to see that the great prairie senator who is a good friend of mine, Senator Stull, from Alliance, on this particular bill leaves that very wonderful position that he always has of a partisan legislator. But today he became awful partisan, he's not unpartisan on other issues. Senator Stull's a good man. But I say to you as I end my closing and we're near the witching hour of 12:00, what's wrong with this Legislature having a chance to look at this bill in which 37 other states have brought this around and going down the right direction. All of their research, everything that these 37 states have done, has been able to find out that this is one area in which legislatures across the land, legislatures in the 50 states, have been given away their rights and there's nobody in this Body more powerful than each member here who keeps coming to the forefront and saying, we don't have any rights. We don't have laws anymore because we give them away and today, we've got this opportunity to stop the giveaway. We can bring this bill back and I hope that the Legislature brings the bill back so we can take another look at it. We're early in the session, we might do an opportunity here to correct something and take back the powers that are rightfully ours.

PRESIDENT: Senator Stull, do you have a question on technical... some technical question here? We're just closing on this amendment or the motion to bring the bill back.

SENATOR STULL: It really isn't a question but I think that we should be able to respond to what he was saying. Another thing, I wanted to thank him for those kind remarks.

PRESIDENT: Well, that was his closing and you can respond to it afterwards if you don't mind. I would like to move it along here. Question is, shall LB280 be returned to the Governor's office as the motion by Senator Mahoney requests? Question is, shall the bill be returned. All those in favor of returning the bill to the Governor's office will vote aye, all those opposed will vote no. And, before we vote, the chair will rule this will take 25 votes to bind the legislative body in this action. The motion is to return LB280 from the Governor's office. All those in favor of returning the bill to the Legislature, all those opposed will vote no. Once again, the chair would ask if you have all voted. Have you all voted? The clerk will record.

CLERK: 20 ayes, 21 nays and 8 not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion is lost. We have some business on the desk, I believe. Senator Duis, did you want to be recognized?

SENATOR DUIS: Yes, if I might. I'd like to announce the cancellation of the meeting of the Rules Committee. I find out the Committee on Committees are having a meeting at 1:30, the Executive Board's having a meeting at 1:00 and a number of the members are on both of these. So, we will cancel the meetings of the Rules Committee and schedule it at another time.

CLERK: Mr. President, your committee on Banking, Commerce and Insurance reports re-examine LB610, recommend we advance to General File. LB680, General File. LB695, General File as amended. Signed, Senator Fred Carsten.

PRESIDENT: Just a minute. The chair recognizes Senator Whitney. Let's pay attention. We've got some important announcements here.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, the Committee on Committees will meet at 1:00 o'clock. This meeting was agreed upon a week or two ago to Room 2227. Committee on Committees.

CLERK: We have Legislative Resolution 104, with all names of senators attached thereto, which will be filed. Mr. President, I move to suspend the rules and permit the introduction of any bill

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